

## Prayer List



### Of Our Number

- ◆ Janice Carnley—health problems
- ◆ Amanda Hilburn—pneumonia
- ◆ Eloise Hoffman—in hospital; awaiting lung biopsy results
- ◆ Florene Howze—improving
- ◆ Kynlie Lawson—sporadic seizures
- ◆ Jim Ward—health problems

### Others in Need

- ◆ Travis Barrow—dog attack
- ◆ Susie Burke (Laura Laux' mother) —surgery in March
- ◆ Thomas Bush—11, cancer
- ◆ Chloe Fleming (Jason's niece) non-alcoholic fatty liver disease
- ◆ Wanda Hunter—stage 4 cancer
- ◆ Vernie Mann (Chris Wynn's mother) —health problems
- ◆ Brenda Mateer—stage 4 cancer
- ◆ Gail Robbins—health problems
- ◆ Tom Snyder—chemo for pancreatic cancer
- ◆ Anah Tyree (Jason H.'s sister, expecting twins soon)

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◆ Pray also for those who have lost loved ones, first responders, police officers, government leaders, military, those traveling, alien sinners, those fallen away, the church at Baker and worldwide.

## Events



**Jan. 23rd**  
4th Wednesday  
Singing

**Feb. 22nd**  
Faith and  
Fellowship

**Faithful Worship** — **1) Praying** to God the Father in the name of Jesus Christ (Luke 11:1-2; John 16:23; Eph. 5:20; Phil. 4:6); **2) Singing** without mechanical instruments (Matt. 26:30; Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16-17; Heb. 2:12); **3) Preaching** God's Word (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2:42; 20:7); **4) Giving** as prospered, cheerfully (1 Cor. 16:1-2; 2 Cor. 9:7); **5) The Lord's Supper** on the first day of every week (Matt. 26:26-28; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 11:20-34; 16:2; Heb. 10:23-31).

## To Our Visitors

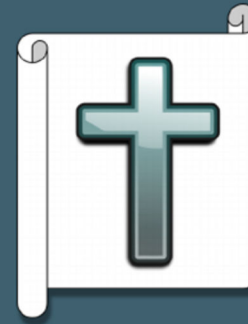


We are happy and honored that you are here! Please fill out a visitor's card and give us a chance to get to know you. If you have any questions about anything said or done in Bible class or worship, please ask. We seek to give a Bible answer for everything we do (Colossians 3:17; 1 Peter 3:15; 4:11).

## Privileged to Serve



**Announcements**—Mark Howze  
**Song Leading**—David Howze (Sun.)  
 Mark Howze (Wed.)  
**Serving the Lord's Supper**  
 Head: Mark Howze; Helpers: Justin Derrick, Braden Hilburn, Chris Wynn  
**Lord's Supper PM**  
 Head: Leo Derrick  
 Helper: Caleb Howze  
**Scripture Reading**—Justin Derrick



# THE BAKER BULLETIN

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The church of Christ in Baker, FL

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## Meeting Times

### Sundays:

10AM Bible Class  
 11AM Worship  
 5:30PM Pew Packers  
 6PM Worship

### Wednesdays:

7PM Bible Class

## Other Information

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## A Few Words from Jason

We have had a lot of sick people lately, but thankfully, many have improved. Although we still have some who are not well, we thank God for His blessings, and trust in Him, no matter what. *"Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths"* (Prov. 3:5-6; 1 Thess. 5:17, 18).

My family and I had a great trip to Atlantic Beach, Florida last week and enjoyed being with the Oceanside church of Christ, where Victor Eskew preaches. I spoke three times—"The Impossibility of Creation," "The Impossibility of Salvation," and "Trusting the One Who Makes the Impossible Possible." One brother was restored last Sunday, which was great news worthy of sharing (Luke 15). I'm thankful to God for such opportunities, and I want to give all glory to Him in all things. The church there seemed encouraged, and we were also, but we were also glad to get back home to Baker.

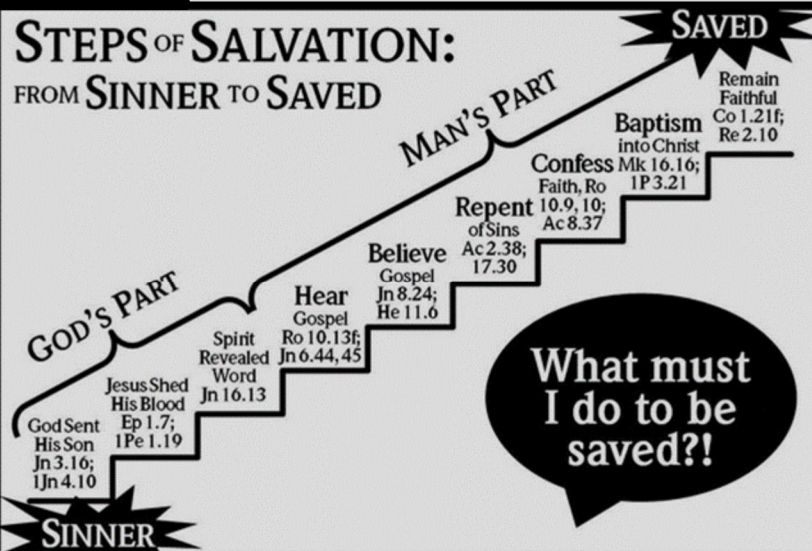
## Job's Words About a Man's Life

Victor Eskew

In Scripture, we read of the deaths of many men and women. After their deaths, we read various statements made by the living about them. With regard to Abner, David said: "Know ye not that there is a prince and a great

## STEPS OF SALVATION: FROM SINNER TO SAVED

"...ye were the servants of sin..."  
(Romans 6:17).



"...but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness" (Rom. 6:17b-18).

man fallen this day in Israel?" (II Sam. 3:38). Following the death of Judas Iscariot, Peter spoke these words about his ministry: "...from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place" (Acts 1:25). The various words spoken by the living about the dead have so many applications to men and women today who depart from this life.

In the book of Job, Job was afflicted from head to toe with boils. All of his possessions had been removed from him. His children, too, were taken from him. He regretted the day of his birth. He longed for the day of his death. He speaks often as a dying man. In Job 14:1-2, he makes a statement that is packed with meaning with regard to all men. The patriarch said: "Man that is born of woman is of few days, and full of trouble. He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down: he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not." In Job's words, we learn five lessons about the life of every man.

First, man's life springs forth from a woman. Except for Adam and Eve, this has been true of all human beings. From the time of conception until the birth of a child is very special for both mother and child. A relationship develops between the mother and the child that is very precious. There is not another relationship on earth that is as unique and as dear. Mothers are very special to their children. One of the reasons is because a child is born of a woman.

Second, man's life is very brief. Job said: "Man that is born of woman is of few days..." Psalm 90:10 tells us that the average age of a human being is between 70 and 80 years old. "The days of our years are threescore years and ten, and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is there strength labor and sorrow for it is soon cut off, and we fly away." If one lives beyond 80, we say he has lived a long, full life. If one lives less than the age of 70, we believe that life was cut off too soon. All of us know a few individuals who fall into both categories. Most people, however, live an average life. As the day of death approaches and one contemplates his life, he realizes that truly his days have been few.

Third, man's life is burdensome. Job says it is "full of trouble." All of our lives are burdensome at times. Life is filled with stress, worry, and sadness. We often experience pain and affliction, both physically and emotionally. There are difficulties with such things as finances, relationships, jobs, health, and with day-to-day living. Some seem to experience more trouble than others. Yet, we all

groan in our earthly tabernacle. This groaning serves an important role in our lives. Paul writes about the purpose of our groaning in II Corinthians 5:2-4. "For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven: if so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked. For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life."

Fourth, man's life is said to be beautiful. Job confessed that man "cometh forth like a flower." A flower sprouts, grows, spreads its greenery, and eventually brings forth beautiful blossoms. When it blooms, the flower brings joy to all those who experience it. Life is similar to this. We start in a period of development known as childhood. We grow, however, and mature. In adulthood, our lives bring forth blossoms. In the flower of life, we are strong, beautiful, and productive. We contribute much to our homes, our workplace, and to society. One life can bring much joy and happiness to others.

Fifth, Job reveals that a man's life is ultimately broken off. Job compares it to a flower that is cut down. He also likens it to a shadow that does not continue. If we live, all of us will eventually die. The writer of Hebrews put it this way: "And as it is appointed unto man once to die, but after this the judgment" (Heb. 9:27). This truth has come to pass in every human life, except two, Enoch and Elijah. Both of these men were miraculously translated into the unseen realm of the dead. All others have been broken off through death.

Job expresses so much about man's life in so few words. He takes us from beginning to end. He covers all that is in between, both burdens and beauty. Where are you within the continuum of life? Are you a youth and still developing? Perhaps you are in the flowering portion of life. Maybe you are reaching the end of life. You can see that your path here is short. You are very aware that your life will soon be cut off from the earth. Regardless of where we are in life, we need to understand that man is of few days and full of trouble. Thus, we need to rely upon the Creator of life to assist us. He can assist us now. He can most assuredly assist us when life comes to an end. Only the foolish would turn their backs on the One who dwells in that eternal place wherein all the righteous will dwell when our time on earth is ended.

*—slightly adapted*